



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/775,171
Applicant : John V. Bernardi
Filing Date : February 11, 2004
Title : Substrate with Membrane Seam Plates Fixed
Thereon for Precise Placement of Seam Plates on
Roof Decking Assemblies
TC/A.U. : 3635
Examiner : Chi Q. Nguyen
Docket No. : OMGMW/124/US
Customer No. : 002543

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action of March 25, 2008, Applicant responds to the Restriction Requirement as follows:

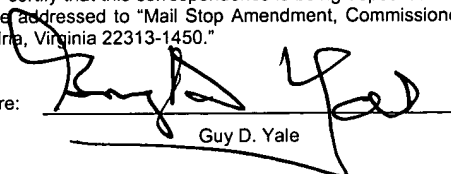
Applicant provisionally elects to proceed to continue prosecution for the following alleged species:

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Reply to Office Action of: March 25, 2008

Species 1: Fig. 7 (C-shaped folding implement).

Claims 2-7, 16-19 and 25-36 read on Species I.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement. It is clear at this stage of the prosecution that the Examiner has searched the relevant art with respect to all of the claims. Since an action on the merits has already been previously issued for all the pending claims, proceeding to prosecute all of the claims would not present an undue burden. Applicant requests that the Examiner withdraw the restriction requirement.

Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that all of the pending claims be examined.

Respectfully Submitted,

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